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SUBJECT: REINFORCED NAC MEETING

REF: USNATO 803

1. WE ARE GRATIFIED THAT AS A RESULT OF EFFECTIVE MISSION  
EFFORTS CONSENSUS IS EMERGING IN FAVOR OF REINFORCED NAC  
MEETING ON FEBRUARY 28 AND HOPE THAT DATE CAN BE FIRMLY  
FIXED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THUS, AFTER APPROPRIATE CON-  
SULTATION WITH OTHER PERMREPS, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU  
COULD URGE LUNS TO PROCEED WITH OPEN INVITATION TO PERMREPS  
AND OTHER NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR THAT DAY. WE HAVE  
IN MIND MEETING DURING MORNING OF FEBRUARY 28 FOLLOWED BY  
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NECESSARY. WE, AND PRESUMABLY OTHERS, WILL NEED EARLY DECISION ON DATE AND TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION TO PERMIT TIMELY ARRANGEMENTS AND PREPARATIONS.

2. REGARDING TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION, WE SEE MERIT, AT FIRST MEETING IN THIS NEW FORMAT, TO LIMITING SUBJECTS TO THOSE WHICH HAVE ALREADY FIGURED PROMINENTLY IN NATO CONSULTATIONS. WE WOULD THUS SUGGEST: EAST-WEST ISSUES, AND "ISSUES RAISED BY THE NATO DECLARATION."

3. WITH RESPECT TO EAST-WEST ISSUES, WE SUGGEST A BROAD REVIEW OF THE VOLUTION OF EAST-WEST RELATIONS, WHICH WOULD NOT SUPERCEDE ONGOING NATO WORK IN CSCE AND MBFR. THUS MEETING WOULD NOT RPT NOT ADDRESS DETAILED ASPECTS OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS.

4. WITH RESPECT TO THE NATO DECLARATION, WE DO NOT PROPOSE THAT THIS MEETING SHOULD BECOME A DRAFTING EXERCISE. RATHER WE THINK DISCUSSIONS SHOULD ADDRESS REMAINING UNRESOLVED ISSUES IN A GENERAL WAY.

5. IN ADDITION, WE BELIEVE SENIOR OFFICIALS AND PERMREPS WILL WISH TO DISCUSS FORMAT AND TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS, AND BELIEVE THIS COULD PROVIDE FOCUS FOR DISCUSSION DURING BELGIAN LUNCH.

6. FINALLY, BELIEVE WE SHOULD QUIETLY DROP TERM "POLITICAL DIRECTORS" IN THIS CONTEXT, AS IT MAY BE NEEDLESSLY OFFENSIVE TO FRENCH, AND WOULD INSTEAD SUGGEST: "NAC, REINFORCED BY SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM CAPITALS." KISSINGER

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